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SENATE COMMITTEE FOR SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

Likely To Recommend Submission of Constitutional Measure in Report.

Washington, April 25.—Members of the Senate woman suffrage committee have practically decided that one of the several resolutions before the committee to amend the constitution to give the women the vote would be reported favorably at the present session. If the tariff bill is kept before the finance committee for several weeks, the resolution will be brought up in the Senate by Chairman Thomas, and a determined effort made to pass it. Tariff or currency legislation may interfere with the suffrage resolution. In that case it would go over until December. The suffrage committee has practically completed its hearings and expects to wind them up tomorrow, when Dr. Mary Walker and leaders of the votes for women cause will be heard.

UMPIRES IN WHITE FLANNELS.

American League Officials To Dress Up on Special Occasions.

Chicago, April 25.—Umpires of the American league will appear on the diamond immaculate in white flannels on "special occasions," President Johnson announces. One of these occasions will be on May 17, when Frank Chance will be given a great reception at the White Sox park. Umpires will appear in "full dress" on holidays and when the president of the United States attends the games.

BAD SNOWSTORM IN TEXAS.

It Promises To Equal Any of the Past Winter—Damage To Crops Is Feared.

Amarillo, Tex., April 25.—Driven by a high north wind, a snowstorm which promises to equal any of the past winter was sweeping over the Texas-Oklahoma Pan Handle Wednesday. The flakes piled up to a depth of two inches at Amarillo. Damage to fruit trees and crops is feared.

BRYAN PRESENTS HIS PEACE PLAN

Tells Ambassadors and Ministers President Desires New Arbitration Treaties.

Washington, April 25.—Secretary Bryan yesterday laid before the Diplomatic corps his plans for an international agreement for peace. Almost every ambassador and minister in Washington was at the secretary's office at noon in response to his invitation and heard his explanation of the plan which soon will be the basis of treaty negotiations.

"The statement presented to the diplomatic corps," said Secretary Bryan, "is only intended to set forth the main proposition, namely, that the president desires to enter into an agreement with each nation, for the investigation of all questions of every nature whatever. This agreement is intended to supplement all arbitration treaties. Arbitration treaties already except some questions from arbitration. The agreement proposed by the president is intended to close the gap and leave no dispute that can become a cause for war without investigation.

"The time within which the report is to be made is left to be agreed upon, and it may be that the time will differ in different cases, but any time, however short, that furnishes opportunity for investigation and deliberation will be sufficient to secure a settlement without resort to war.

"Each party is to reserve the right to act independently after a report is submitted, but it is not likely that a nation will declare war after it has had an opportunity to confer, during the investigation, with the opposing nation.

"But whether the proposed agreement accomplishes as much as is hoped for it, it is at least a step in the direction of universal peace, and I am pleased to be the agent through whom the president presents this proposition to the powers represented here."

McAdoo Excludes Bank Copyist.

Washington, April 25.—In a formal statement Secretary McAdoo announces that he has prohibited the practice of allowing a representative of the National City Bank of New York to occupy a desk in the office of the comptroller of the currency to compile information following calls for statements of the condition of national banks.

B. & M. NEEDS \$73,000,000

Amount Required for Proposed Improvement of Its Lines

BARS MELLE'S STATEMENT

Com. Prouty Says He Will Hear Railroad President in Person

Boston, April 25.—Frank I. Davis, chief of the tariff bureau of New England lines, told Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty at the hearing on the New England railroads yesterday that since the merger of the New Haven and Boston & Maine there had been advances in fifteen per cent. of the tariffs and reductions in the remaining eighty-five per cent.

Fully seventy-five per cent. of the increases, he estimated, were due to cancellation of so called "paper" or useless tariffs.

He compared the New England rates with those in North and South Carolina and Georgia and found the northern rates lower in every case.

It developed during the hearing that the Boston Fruit & Produce Exchange, represented by Louis D. Brandeis, the efficiency expert, had not authorized such representation, although he appeared as its counsel up to yesterday.

More than \$73,000,000 are needed to put the Boston & Maine in first class working order, and this without even allowing one dollar for electrification, according to the estimates submitted on behalf of the road. These estimates have not been put before the road's directors, however.

Of this great total, \$10,000,000 is desired to build a new North station across the Charles river in Charlestown and to make extensive improvements in the terminal yards in that vicinity.

Near the close of the session, Edgar J. Rich of the railroad's counsel, told the commissioner that he had understood that the matter of rates was closed; then Mr. Prouty commented that Vice President Buckland of the New Haven had said two days ago that he had understood that rates was the one topic, aside from service, still before the hearing.

Vice President H. J. Horn, who has charge of the Boston & Maine operation and construction, told something of the recent improvements which have been made and others in contemplation. These changes, he said, will greatly aid in relieving traffic congestion, will save money for the road and will cut down materially the time for moving trains.

Louis D. Brandeis brought out that terminal charges for the Hampden County railroad to use the Boston & Albany terminals will add \$2,000 a mile per train, making a round trip when figured by the year. This is the road leased by the Boston & Maine at an annual rental of \$12,000 a mile for each of its fifteen or sixteen miles of track.

Edgar J. Rich, solicitor for the Boston & Maine railroad, attempted to get into the records of the hearing a written statement from President Mellen of the New Haven railroad, but was not allowed by Commissioner Prouty to submit it.

The statement was a refutation of the charges made at Wednesday's hearing

of the extravagance on the part of the Boston & Maine with reference to the Hampden county railroad deal.

"No, sir," said Commissioner Prouty. "If you want to have Mr. Mellen here I will hear him, but I shall not accept any written statement from him."

Vice President Buckland of the New Haven told Commissioner Prouty that General Counsel Roberts of his road would like to appear before the commissioner next Wednesday or any time next week.

Mr. Rich, in a statement to the commissioner referring to the terms of the Boston & Maine agreement with the Hampden county railroad, which was inquired into Wednesday, said that the Boston & Maine under the terms of its contract with the Hampden railroad will not pay anything to that road which is not approved by the Massachusetts board of railroad commissioners.

Mr. Brandeis then resumed questioning William J. Hobbs, financial vice president of the Boston & Maine. From this witness he brought out the fact that on the basis of eight round trips a day of the Boston & Maine trains into Springfield via the Hampden railroad, \$2,000 per mile a year would be added to the cost to the Boston & Maine for carrying the Hampden railroad. These figures were on a basis of \$5 per train for each entrance into the Springfield terminal over the Hampden road.

Vice President Hobbs made answer to the question put to him Wednesday as to the balance paid by the Boston & Maine to the New Haven for the hire of equipment. He said Wednesday that he thought the balance was under \$100,000, perhaps \$60,000. Yesterday he said the net balance paid the New Haven was \$139,000 in 1912 and \$81,000 in 1911.

After Mr. Brandeis had finished with his witness he was questioned by Commissioner Prouty.

"What is the indebtedness of the Boston & Maine today?" asked the commissioner.

"The bonded debt is \$43,328,000."

"What are the interest charges on this bonded debt?"

"One million, seventy hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars."

"What is the amount of bills payable?"

"Twenty-four million, five hundred thousand dollars, on which interest charges are \$12,000,000 at four per cent., \$10,000,000 at five per cent, and \$2,500,000 at five and one-half per cent."

"Then the total fixed charges would be as follows: Rental of leased lines, \$5,000,000; hire of equipment, \$1,000,000, and interest charges, \$3,000,000."

"Yes."

"What was your total corporate income for 1912?"

"Nine million eight hundred and fifteen thousand dollars."

"Is there any prospect of an increase in this year's corporate income?"

"No, it is probable that there will be a substantial reduction because of increased operating expenses, one item of which will be an increase of \$300,000 for the hire of equipment because of the per diem charges on freight cars."

"You can't expect to carry this indebtedness at much less than five per cent., can you?"

"No."

"And your fixed charges will be approximately \$9,000,000, will they not?"

"Yes."

PETS ATTACK TRAINER.

Mlle. De Rose Fights for Life on Stage.

Lafayette, Pa., April 25.—Gighting for her against the snarling, clawing and biting members of her band of performing cats and monkeys, Mlle. De Rose had a narrow escape from serious injury at the Twilight theatre.

The trouble began soon after Mlle. De Rose came trooping on the stage with her performers. Judging from their appearances, the animals were tired out from their exertions during the afternoon matinee.

No sooner had the pretty trainer snapped her whip at Manizta, a big, yellow, tight-rope walking feline, than the animal turned on a flash and was at her. Instantly five other cats made a rush at their trainer. Fighting them off with her whip, which she wielded with rapidity and accuracy, it seemed for a time as though the young woman would force the snarling, snapping cats back. But an unlooked for factor appeared in the fight when two big monkeys, Herman and Deutcher, joined in the fray.

Herman, leaping over the cats, secured a hold on the right shoulder of Mlle. De Rose and fixed his teeth in her flesh.

At this juncture several stage hands armed with brooms, clubs and other weapons, rushed to the assistance of Mlle. De Rose and for a few minutes the fight waxed furious. Not until the vicious monkeys and cats were knocked out did they desist.

A physician was hastily summoned. He dressed the wounds of Mlle. De Rose. She was badly cut and clawed and was bleeding profusely.

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